

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Case No.: MBHB00-830-A; 600/005)

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	Vargeese et al.) ·	Unit: 1623 Josephine Young	
Serial No.	Serial No.: 09/887,182).	
Filed:	June 22, 2001)		
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Washington,	D.C. 20231		TECH CENTER 1600/2900	
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In regard to the above identified application:

- 1. We are transmitting herewith the attached papers for the above-identified patent application:
 - Response to Restriction Requirement;
 - Petition for Extension of Time; and
 - Return Receipt Postcard.
- 2. With respect to additional fees, attached is a check in the amount of \$985.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(a).
- 3. **GENERAL AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE OR CREDIT FEES**: Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- 4. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the papers, as described in paragraph 1 herein-above, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as "First Class Mail" in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this 1st day of April 2003.

Date: April 1, 2003

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RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT MAILED OCTOBER 2, 2002

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 2, 2002, Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I, i.e., Claims 1, 3, 8, 10, 12, 19-22, 38, 40 43 and 46, drawn to compounds with an amine linker, classified in class 556, subclass 400⁺, for prosecution on the merits, with traverse.

The Applicants urge the Examiner to contact the Applicants' undersigned representative at (312) 913-0001 if the Examiner believes that this would expedite prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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